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Application Number	09/159,481
Filing Date	September 23, 1998
Inventor(s)	Joseph Gerard AGUILAR et al.
Group Art Unit	2655
Examiner Name	Michael N. Opsasnick
Attorney Docket Number	29250-002070/US

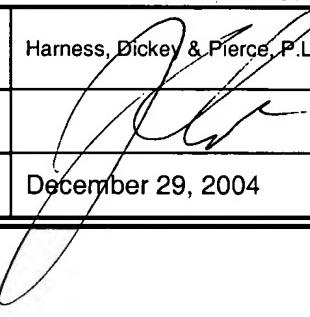
ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Letter to the Official Draftsperson and _____ Sheets of Formal Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> LETTER SUBMITTING APPEAL BRIEF AND APPEAL BRIEF (w/clean version of pending claims)
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Notice of Appeal, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition to Revive	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	Response to Non-Final Office Action
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application		
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		
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Date	December 29, 2004		